

REMARKS

The divisional application filed concurrently herewith relates to a restriction requirement imposed by the Examiner and election by the Applicant thereto in parent case U.S. Application Serial No. 09/957,310 filed September 19, 2001, entitled "Hinge Mounting System" ("the Parent Application"). Accordingly, original claims 1-27 and 32-58 are cancelled without prejudice. New claims 59-78 have been added. After entry of this preliminary amendment, the claims pending in this application are 28-31 and 32-58. Examination is respectfully requested on the basis of these pending claims in this application.

During prosecution of the Parent Application, amendments were made to the drawings and specification to correct some minor errors. The amendments presented below reflect those made during the prosecution of the Parent Application.

DRAWING AND SPECIFICATION CHANGES

In the prosecution of the Parent Application, the Examiner objected to the drawings under 37 C.F.R. § 1.83(a) because (1) they fail to show "Figure 73c" as described in the specification, and (2) reference numeral "716" is used to depict two different elements, the "base" and "bearing block" recited on page 19 of the specification.

Page 18, line 10 and page 12, line 30 of the specification have been amended to delete the errant reference to Figure 73c which does not exist. Both Figures 73a and 73b, which were already referenced and part of the original application, show stop 710 in more than sufficient structural detail for proper understanding of the disclosed invention as required by MPEP § 608.02(d).

Page 18, line 25 of the specification has been amended to change the reference numeral for the "bearing block" from 716 to "800." Further, a proposed correction to Figure 74 is included in Attachment A hereto which adds reference numeral "800" for the "bearing block," and also eliminates an unnecessary duplicate numerical reference of "716" for the "base."

Also as entered in the Parent Application, a proposed correction to Figure 7 is also included in Attachment A to correct an errant numerical reference that was noticed by the Applicant. The numerical reference "75" pointing to an inner mounting portion of hinge member 21 has been replaced with the correct numerical reference "74." The mounting portions 74 of the hinge members are referenced at least on page 17, line 6.

Also as entered in the Parent Application, a proposed correction to Figure 8 is also included in Attachment A to correct the extension line from numerical reference "72",

which the Applicant noticed points to the incorrect element. As noted in the specification at least on page 16, line 27, and also as correctly shown in Figure 6A, numerical reference "72" is used to depict a fastening surface of one of the mounting bases.

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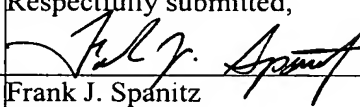
Claims 28-31 are presented as originally filed in pending parent U.S. patent Application Serial No. 09/957,310. New claim 59 is dependent on claim 28.

New claims 60-66 are based on claims allowed in pending parent application Serial No. 09/957,310. Support for these claims is found at least in the specification starting on page 15, line 23 to page 17, line 5 and in Figures 7 and 8.

New claims 67-70 are based on claims allowed in pending U.S. patent Application Serial No. 10/419,618 (also a divisional of Serial No. 09/957,310). Support for these claims is found at least in the specification starting on page 15, line 23 to page 17, line 5 and on page 21, lines 25 to 34.

Support for new claims 71-78 is found at least in the specification starting on page 14, line 22 to page 15, line 22.

In light of the above amendments and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests approval of all of the proposed drawing changes, and that the revised drawings of the same presented in Appendix B hereto be made of record. No new matter has been added by the foregoing specification and drawing changes or the new claims as discussed above.

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Appendix A
Proposed Changes to the Drawings

Proposed revisions to Figures 7, 8 and 74 are shown in red in the attached drawings following this page:

Appendix B
Correct Drawing Sheets

Corrected Figures 7, 8 and 74 follow this page: